HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

S.B. : HON'BLE MR. SATISH K. AGNIHOTRI, J.

WRIT PETITION (S) No. 3930 of 2005

PETITIONER : 1. K.D.Manikpuri, Assistant Teacher, Govt. Middle School Churmadiya, District Dhamtari (C.G.)
2. M.D.Manikpuri, Assistant Teacher, Govt. Girls Hr. Sec. School Kurud, District Dhamtari (C.G.)
3. Narad Ram Sahu, Assistant Teacher, Primary School Umarda, District Dhamtari (C.G.)
4. Ramadhar Katendra, Assistant Teacher, Primary School Charmudiya, at present Primary School Railway Station Kurud, District Dhamtari (C.G.)

VERSUS

RESPONDENTS :
1. State of Chhattisgarh, through- Secretary, School Education Department Raipur District Raipur (C.G.)
2. Incharge District Education Officer, Dhamtari District Dhamtari (C.G.)

Present: None for the petitioner.
Shri Sushil Dubey, Government Advocate for the State/respondents.

ORDER

(Passed on 15th March 2007)

1. The petitioners, while working as Assistant Teacher at various schools of District Dhamtari, were transferred to various others

schools, on the same terms and conditions vide impugned order dated 31.07.2001 (Annexure A/1).

2. The Madhya Pradesh Administrative Tribunal at Raipur vide interim order dated 12.10.2001 directed to maintain status quo in regard to the position of the petitioner as was prevailing on 01.10.2001. By virtue of the interim order the petitioner is continuing at the original place of posting.

3. Be that as it may, with the passage of time this petition has become infructuous as period of transfer is not applicable forever. At this point of time, there is no question to examine the validity of the transfer order. However, the respondents are at liberty to pass appropriate order keeping in view the public interest and administrative exigency, without insisting on compliance of the impugned transfer order.

4. It is well settled principle of law that transfer is an incident of service and it is for the employer to decide as to where a particular officer/employee be posted, keeping in view public interest as well as administrative exigency. This Court has limited jurisdiction to interfere in the transfer matter and this Court can interfere only in the case of proved malafide, non-competence of authority passing the transfer order and transfer order not being in conformity with the rules and regulations.

5. In view of the above, this petition stands disposed of. No order as to costs.

Sd/-
Satish K. Agnihotri
Judge

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